

**SUMMARIZED MINUTES  
SCOTTSDALE TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION  
STUDY SESSION**



**THURSDAY, APRIL 20, 2006  
KIVA CONFERENCE ROOM – CITY HALL  
3939 N. DRINKWATER BOULEVARD  
SCOTTSDALE, ARIZONA 85251**

**CALL TO ORDER**

The study session of the Scottsdale Transportation Commission was called to order by Chairman Gilliland at 5:24 p.m.

1. **ROLL CALL**

**PRESENT:** Chairman Mark Gilliland  
Vice-Chairman Brian Davis  
Commissioner William Howard  
Commissioner Kelly McCall  
Commissioner Matthew Taunton (arrived 5:37 p.m.)  
Commissioner J. David Hill

**STAFF PRESENT:** Rose Arballo, Transportation Commission Coordinator  
Mary O'Connor, Transportation General Manager  
Dave Meinhart, Transportation Planning and Transit Director  
Paul Porell, Traffic Engineering Director  
Teresa Huish, Principal Transportation Planner  
Debra Astin, Transit Manager

1. **QUESTIONS REGARDING TONIGHT'S REGULAR MEETING AGENDA / COMMENTS**

• **Approval of Changes to By-Laws and Ordinance**

Ms. Mary O'Connor, Transportation General Manager noted that if the Commission members want to change the Ordinance, they would need to forward a recommendation to City Council. A discussion ensued. Ms. O'Connor clarified that the Commission can vote to change the by-laws tonight or wait and do that at the May meeting.

• **Proposition 402 - Expenditure Limit**

Ms. O'Connor noted that Financial Services staff will appear before the Commission at the regular meeting. Ms. O'Connor outlined a number of transportation related initiatives that would potentially be affected should this proposition not be approved by voters.

- **Proposition 400 Status**

Ms. O'Connor noted that Mr. Dave Meinhart, Transportation Planning and Transit Director, will make a presentation regarding the status of Proposition 400 at the regular meeting. This was deferred from the March meeting.

- **Neighborhood Circulator**

Ms. O'Connor reported that Debra Astin, Transit Manager, facilitated a public meeting at the Senior Center regarding the proposed neighborhood circulator route. The route will not commence until June 2006.

Chairman Gilliland asked why the Neighborhood Circulator had not been brought to the Commission as an action item. Ms. O'Connor explained that this item was reviewed in the operating budget for FY 05/06, and the initial route primarily represents shuttle service between the old Senior Center and the new Senior Center. A more comprehensive planning process will be initiated once the staff person assigned to this project comes on board.

Mr. Meinhart added that the Commission does not generally act on operating budget items. In response to a question from Commissioner McCall, Ms. O'Connor explained that although the trolley is intended as a free service to all members of the public, the plan was to start the service by providing shuttle service between the new Senior Center and the areas around the old Senior Center, such as the library, so that seniors would continue to have access to a variety of services. Commissioner McCall asked whether the start of the service is tied to the opening of the new Senior Center. Ms. O'Connor confirmed that, adding that the opening of the new Senior Center has been delayed.

- **Transportation Master Plan Update**

Ms. O'Connor reported that the Transportation Master Plan workshops were completed last night, no detailed summary is available.

- **Current Transportation Project Updates**

Ms. O'Connor reported that the 96th Street project will be finished by the end of May. Staff will provide an update during tonight's regular meeting on Pima Acres and the public meetings that have been held. Ms. O'Connor will provide an update on the photo enforcement pilot project. Staff met with the City Council Budget Subcommittee earlier this month for a discussion of the Department's operating budget.

She added that the City's first community bike ride, Cycle the Arts, is scheduled for Sunday, April 23 at 8:30 starting from the Paiute Center.

## **2. Joint Meeting with the Planning Commission and Transportation Commission**

Ms. O'Connor stated that staff is still trying to set a date for a joint meeting between the Planning Commission and the Transportation Commission. A June date seems more likely for this meeting, possibly to coincide with a regularly scheduled Planning Commission meeting.

## **ADJOURNMENT**

With no further business to discuss, the study session of the Scottsdale Transportation Commission adjourned at 5:54 p.m.

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**SUBMITTED BY:**

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**Officially approved by the Transportation Commission on May 18, 2006**